



## ARMED GUARD PROTECTS POWHATAN MURDERERS

Confessed and Alleged Slayers of  
Mrs. Skipwith and Johnson  
to Have Trial.

### THEY WILL BE ARRAIGNED TODAY

All But One of Accused Removed  
From Henrico Jail—Some Fear Mob  
Violence—Large Crowds of Both  
Colors Meet Train—Later Reports  
Are More Reassuring.

(By Associated Press.)  
MOSELEY'S JUNCTION, VA., March 22.—When the train bearing Stephen Johnson, Robert Taylor and Fleming Johnson arrived in Moseley's Junction shortly after noon today it was met by a large crowd of negroes and whites who showed the greatest curiosity in regard to the prisoners. Deputy Traylor and Burch, who have charge of the negroes, anticipating trouble, hustled the prisoners into the special car prepared for them and refused admittance to anyone.

After getting a good look at the negroes, however, the crowd is gradually dispersing in good order.

A traveler from Powhatan who came through the courthouse this morning stated that a large number of men had already gathered at the courthouse and there was some expectation of trouble there tonight.

Every precaution is being taken by the officers to prevent trouble, and a special guard of eighteen men arrived with shot-guns and will watch the prisoners all night.

The fact that all of the negroes have confessed to being implicated in the crime and that only a portion of them is expected to receive the death penalty does not go well with the citizens of the county who think that all are guilty and should suffer.

For this reason it is believed that there may be trouble at the courthouse tonight.

Feeling Strong Against Brown.  
On account of the feeling shown against John Brown, charged with complicity in the murder of Mrs. Mary E. Skipwith and Walter G. Johnson in Powhatan county February 12, and the burning of the historic Skipwith home, "Southeast," that prisoner, who has been confined in the Henrico county jail for several weeks, was, as a matter of precaution, not taken to Powhatan county this morning with the other prisoners. John Brown is charged on a separate indictment from the other negroes, and his presence is not necessary to the first trial except as a witness, and it is probable that he will not be called to testify.

The other negroes confined in the county jail, Stephen Johnson, Fleming Johnson and Robert Taylor, were taken to Powhatan this morning in charge of Officers Traylor and Burch, of Henrico, and Officer Johnson, of the Richmond police force.

Until this morning it was expected that John Brown would be taken with the other negroes to Powhatan courthouse today and would be present at the trial of the other negroes. Everything was ready for their departure when a telegram from Sheriff Baugh, of Henrico, ordered the officers to leave Brown in the Henrico jail until called for. Officer Johnson stated this morning that the evidence against Brown, who is held as a principal in the crime, was so damaging that feeling in the county against him was very high.

Brown Claims Coercion.  
On account of his age and the fact that he claims to have been terrorized by Isham Taylor to such an extent that he helped in the crime, it is thought probable that he will escape the extreme penalty, and the extreme penalty for all the principals is what the people of Powhatan demand.

There were also rumors this morning that there might be an attempt by the negro friends of the prisoners when they reached Moseley's Junction today to rescue them, and the officers left on the 11 o'clock train grimly prepared for any emergency.

Six Yet Undecided.  
The trial will not begin until tomorrow morning. Six of the fifteen negroes who have been arrested as chief conspirators or accomplices have yet to be indicted. A special grand jury is now in session, and it is expected that it will return true bills against the accused tonight.

No Violence Anticipated.  
POWHATAN C. H., VA., March 22.—All arrangements are now being made for the trial of the negroes charged with the killing and burning of W. G. Johnson and Mrs. Lizzie Skipwith at their home, "Northeast," about five miles from this place, six weeks ago. No trouble is anticipated by the officers and everything is quiet at present.

Sheriff Baugh said today that he had summoned a venire of fifty-six men

## DEMOCRATIC REPORT

### SCORES TARIFF BILL

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### WILL INCREASE COST OF LIVING

Apparent Reductions Mostly Shams—Really a Duty on Coffee—Standard Oil Protected—Users of Hosiery and Cotton Pay Tribute to Manufacturers—Other Serious Flaws.

### TO BE ELIMINATED.

No Reference Objectionable to South Will Be Tolerated.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 22.—All references declared objectionable to the South in readers recently adopted as text books for use in the public schools of Louisiana will be eliminated.

This was decided upon today at a conference between Superintendent of Education Harrison and General Lewis Gion, chairman of the history committee of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans of Louisiana.

Gets Leave to File.  
(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The Supreme Court of the United States today granted the petition of the State of North Carolina for leave to file an original bill in that court for a delimitation of the boundary between that State and Tennessee at the crossing of the Tennessee river.

## KIDNAPPED BOY FOUND

Father and Agent of Son's Abductors Agree on Terms.

### WH THIR RANSOM PAID NOT KNOWN

But Child Returned to Hotel After Conference With Female Agent of Bandits—Receives Affectionate Welcome—Captors Were Kind to Him.

(By Associated Press.)  
CLEVELAND, OHIO, March 22.—Little Willie Whittle, who has caused the police of the entire country endless worry since he was kidnapped from school in Sharon, Pa., last Thursday, was returned to his father at the Hotel Hollenden here tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

In compliance with an agreement entered into between the kidnapped boy's father and an agent of the kidnapers here today, the boy was placed on a street car on the outskirts of the city and started to the hotel shortly after 8 o'clock. Two boys, G. W. Ramsey and Edward Mahoney, recognized the lad off the car and taking him in charge, conducted him to his father who was in waiting.

The boy wandered about the hotel lobby unannounced several minutes asking bell boys for his father before the latter knew his son was in the big tower.

The moment the anxious parent heard that a strange boy was in the hotel he rushed across the lobby, grasped him in his arms and smothered his face with kisses.

An Attempt at Disguise.  
An attempt had been made to disguise the lad. He wore a pair of smoked glasses and a large tan cap, which was pulled down over his ears, and the father said it would have been difficult to have recognized the boy in such a garb had he passed him on the street.

Willie is in perfect health. He says that he has been well treated and ever since captured has been constantly indoors.

He believes he was taken from Sharon to Warren thence to New-castle, Pa. It is his opinion, expressed in a happy schoolboy way, that he was in Ashabula on Saturday night at the time his father was to leave his \$10,000 in Flat Iron Park.

Silent As To Ransom.  
Whittle senior refused to state whether he had paid the ransom or not.

He said that he received a letter today from the kidnapers at his home in Sharon saying that if he called at a confectionery store in the east end

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WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—That the Payne tariff bill increases the cost of living; that it is crude, indefinite, sectional and prohibitive, and that it is an open challenge to a trade war with every other nation on earth, are some of the criticisms of that measure made by the Democratic members of the ways and means committee in the minority report submitted to the House by Minority Leader Champ Clark today.

The report is a severe arraignment of the revision which the Payne bill proposes.

The countervailing duty provisions for coffee and petroleum, the maximum features, the Cuban reciprocity clause, the woolen, glass, agricultural, and sugar schedules are bitterly attacked.

Reductions Only Apparent.  
"There are many changes, for the most part minor changes," says the report, "of the Dingley rates, some up and some down. Most of the changes in a downward direction are reductions more apparent than real, the Payne rates being as prohibitive in their results in many cases as the Dingley rates."

Declaring a tariff is a tax paid by the consumer, and that the only function of a tariff law is to raise revenue to supply the needs of the government, the minority members of the committee insist that instead of an increase of taxes or a new issue of bonds, the correct remedy for the growing deficiency in the revenues is the cutting down of the expenses of running the government.

### Crude and Sectional.

"The bill is in many respects crude, indefinite, sectional and prohibitive. It seems to us from our examination what was necessarily hasty, that living. For example, it will increase the price of hosiery about 30 per cent, and certainly nobody will claim that hosiery is a luxury in this day. In numerous instances the protection exceeds the entire cost of production."

The report maintains that the tariff arrangement with the Philippines should be considered in a separate measure, and not in the general tariff bill.

The claim that the bill is a sectional one made by the Democratic members of the committee, is based largely on the cotton schedule.

Manufacturer Looked After.  
The report contends that the bill does not lift any burdens from the shoulders of the Southern farmer, although the manufacturer of cotton goods is protected by heavy tax, it claims.

"The treatment of the farmer by this bill is along the same lines as have characterized Republican methods in the past," says the report. "It gets practically no relief and the laborer and producer have greater burdens imposed upon them."

Laborers' Necessities Taxed.  
"Every article of food the laborer must have to live comfortably, is heavily taxed; even the salt on his table is not exempt. This schedule (agricultural products) was evidently prepared by the same mind which has dominated this bill—a mind certainly not unfair to the great trusts."

"That the bill is a sectional one, is shown because of the failure of the majority of the committee to lift any burden whatever from the shoulders of the Southern farmer."

"The grower of cotton must sell his product in the open market. In order, however, to benefit the manufacturer of cotton, the Republican party makes him pay a heavy tax on every pound of it that is exported and comes back into the United States in the shape of manufactured goods. Thus he sells in free trade markets and buys in a protected market. Not only have these burdens

been imposed upon him, but he is also

subjected to the same tariff on his exports as the manufacturer of cotton goods is subjected to on his imports.

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## APPOINTEE A YALE MAN

### AND RAILROAD ATTORNEY

President Taft Remembers College Chum With Appointment to Important Federal Office.

### RESULT WAS MIXED.

Cotton Exchange Adopts Some Changes; Objects to Others.  
(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, March 22.—Members of the New York Cotton Exchange voted today on the proposed amendments to the by-laws, having as their object the restoration of quarter grades.

The amendments restoring the grades known as fully good middling, barely good middling, fully middling, barely middling and fully low middling, were carried by a vote of 209 to 101.

The amendments to restore the grades known as barely low middling and fully good ordinary were lost by a vote of 161 to 115. The amendments become effective on all deliveries on contracts maturing later than February, 1910.

TAKES THREE DAYS' RECESS.  
Senate Organizes Committees, Receives Bills and Adjourns.  
(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The organization of the Senate committee was the chief business before that body today, and owing to the fact that the detail work had been done by the Republican and Democratic caucuses, it was soon disposed of.

Many bills were introduced and referred to committees notwithstanding it is understood that in the present extra session no general legislation beyond the passage of the tariff and census bills will be undertaken.

At 1:05 p. m. the Senate adjourned until Thursday.

### RESTORES RACING.

Kentucky Judge Holds Crushing Out Sport Is Unconstitutional.

(By Associated Press.)  
COVINGTON, KY., March 22.—Judge Harbeson, in Kenton county Circuit Court today rendered his decision in the noted case of the Latonia Jockey Club against the Kentucky Racing Commission holding the law establishing the commission as unconstitutional.

The effect of the decision is to place Latonia racing on its former basis.

### FIRE IN BOYDTON.

Sunday Blaze Entails Loss of Over \$75,000.

(By Associated Press.)  
BOYDTON, VA., March 22.—A disastrous fire here yesterday entailed a loss of over \$75,000. The flames were discovered in the store of S. J. Turner & Co. and spread rapidly through the business section.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. The insurance will amount to half the loss.

### Territorial Governor Resigns.

(By Associated Press.)  
SANTA FE, N. M., March 22.—Governor George Curry today telegraphed to President Taft his resignation as governor of New Mexico.

### Commodities Decision Deferred.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The Supreme Court today did not render the expected decision in the anthracite coal case involving the constitutionality of the commodities clause of the Hepburn railroad rate law.

### Long Term Convict Pardoned.

(By Associated Press.)  
STANTON, VA., March 22.—Joshua Lucas, a member of the convict labor force, working near Stanton, received notice of pardon this morning at the hands of Governor Swanson. He left at once for Richmond to get his formal discharge from the penitentiary. Lucas had been in Richmond and was serving a long term.

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## NEW RULES GOVERNING

### BOLTERS ARE ADOPTED

Caucus of House Democrats Adopts Report of Committee of Fifteen.

### TO DROP BOLTERS AUTOMATICALLY

Chief Offender Present and His Address Listened to Without Hostile Demonstration—Two Thirds Vote Hereafter Must Bind, Except in Certain Circumstances Set Forth.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The adoption of a set of new rules submitted by the committee of fifteen to govern future caucuses of the Democrats of the House followed tonight, the necessity for the new rules is said to have become apparent to the Democratic leaders as a result of a "bolt" being made by a member of the caucus.

The first discussion arose in regard to the punishment of "bolters." The committee reported in favor of dropping "bolters" automatically from the rolls of the caucus.

An attempt was made to alter this, and to provide that no "bolters" should be dropped until after his name had been duly posted, but it failed.

Chief Bolter Present.  
Representative Fitzgerald was present and addressed the caucus.

His remarks were listened to at least and no hostile demonstration was made.

Several other "bolters" also attended the caucus.

Immediately after Chairman Clayton of Alabama, called the caucus to order, Representative James of Kentucky, was recognized.

He made a motion, which was agreed to that the caucus should first consider the report of the committee of fifteen, and that it then give consideration to a statement which had been prepared by the committee.

This statement dealt with the fight on the rules of the House and the selection of committees.

Committee's Recommendations.  
The committee of fifteen recommended that hereafter a two-thirds vote of all the Democratic members of the House in a caucus should be binding upon every Democratic member, unless he notified the caucus in writing that he would not be bound, or unless the subject dealt with was a constitutional question, or the member was already pledged to his constituency to vote otherwise.

The statement contained a criticism of Speaker Cannon for appointing to committees "Democrats who were not in accord with their party."

Left to Their Constituents.  
The fact was brought out that after a long fight the committee had decided not to criticize specifically any of the Democrats who voted on the opening day of the session for the Fitzgerald amendments to the rule.

Instead a general criticism was indulged in and the offenders were left to their respective constituencies for approval.

### WILL STOP GAMES.

Detroit and Washington Teams Are Violating Constitution.  
(By Associated Press.)  
CHICAGO, ILL., March 22.—President Ban B. Johnson, of the American League, announced tonight that he has taken steps to prevent the Detroit and Washington teams from playing anti-season games in Texas, as such games would be contrary to the constitution of the league. Detroit and Washington have played two games at San Antonio.

### DIED IN HARNESS.

Veteran Associated Press Ship News Reporter Drops Dead.  
(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, March 22.—A long and interesting newspaper career was closed today with the sudden death of Joseph Swan, for nearly forty years connected with the Associated Press as marine reporter.

### CLEMENCY DENIAL.

Woman Must Die in Electric Chair for Murder.  
(By Associated Press.)  
ALBANY, N. Y., March 22.—Governor Hughes today announced that he had denied the application for clemency in the case of Mrs. Mary Farmer, who is under sentence of death at Auburn prison for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Brennan at Brownville, near Waterson.

Mrs. Farmer will be executed sometime next week.

## GET HEAVY SENTENCES.

### Courts Vigorously Punish Race Track Law Violators.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 22.—W. W. Liles, promoter of the City Park race track "test" case, was sentenced to six months in the Parish prison and a fine of \$350 by Judge Baker today for violation of the Locke law.

Liles' attorneys will carry the case to the Supreme Court. Liles obtained the use of the City Park track on the day the test of the Locke law was made.

R. M. Sheffield and Placide Frigerie charged with making betting books on that occasion, were tried first and sentenced to a like term.

The Supreme Court affirmed the judgment in their cases.

### TO SETTLE DIFFERENCE.

Railroad Companies Designated Men to Compose Disputed Questions.  
(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 22.—Following an all-day session of the Trunk Line Association, it was announced that a committee of five had been appointed to endeavor to obtain a settlement of the differences now existing among eastern trunk lines because of the preferential rate agreement entered into several months ago between the New York, New Haven and Canadian Pacific railroads.

This committee consists of W. C. Brown, president of the New York Central, W. C. Mellon, president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, and L. E. Truesdale, of the Canadian Pacific, C. F. Hayes, of the Grand Trunk, and Herbert Walker, president of the Old Dominion Steamship Company. It is expected that this committee will hold several sessions between this and April 1, on which date it will submit its report to the Trunk Line Association.

Chiefs Meet in Buffalo.  
(By Associated Press.)  
KNOXVILLE, TENN., March 22.—Chief of Police W. H. Chandler, of this city, announced today that the annual convention of the International Association of Police Chiefs for this year has been changed from Los Angeles to Buffalo.

The dates are June 15, 16 and 17.

## PATRONAGE IS WANTED

Claimed That Cotton States Don't Get a Square Deal.

### FURNISH COTTON, BUT NO CONSULS

Tennessee Congressman Weary of Condition, Calls on Secretary of State for Facts and Suggestions of Remedy for the Evil.

### (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The cotton States want some of the patronage "pie," and want it badly.

Representative Hull, of Tennessee, introduced a resolution in the House calling on the Secretary of State, if not incompatible with the public interest, to inform the Congress whether the cotton States are being deprived of representation in the diplomatic and consular service in the cotton purchasing countries. If so, Mr. Hull wants the secretary to transmit any facts or information that might be suggestive of a remedy for this condition of affairs.

Southerners Not Sharing.  
In the preamble to the resolution Mr. Hull asserts that Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia now have smaller representation in the diplomatic and consular service than they have had at any time. He points out that the States he names annually insure the balance of trade in favor of the United States by raising and exporting cotton to the amount of over \$435,000,000 in value. It is asserted that these States have not a single representative in any position of responsibility in the diplomatic and consular service.

Sanitariums Get Legacies.  
(By Associated Press.)  
NORFOLK, VA., March 22.—By the will of Charles O. Riddick, a retired bachelor of Norfolk and Gates county, N. C., found dead last week, the sanitarium at Virginia Beach for sickly infants and indigent mothers and the Baptist Orphanage of Thomasville, N. C., get between \$25,000 and 30,000 each, and possibly more as residuary legacies.

The estate is estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

Legislator and Diplomat Dies.  
(By Associated Press.)  
SANTE MONICO, CAL., March 22.—Col. F. W. Wells, former representative in Congress from the Second Mississippi district, and consul-general at Shanghai under President Hayes, died at his residence here last night.

## GRAFT INDICTMENTS

### CONTINUE IN PITTSBURG

Conspiracy, Bribery and Perjury in High Places Among the Counts Last Returned.

### MILLIONAIRE IS ONE OF ACCUSED

Has Gone to Europe For His Health—Vice-President of Bank Charged With Perjury—Grand Jury Still in Session and Further Developments Are Looked For.

### (By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, PA., March 22.—Six indictments, three for conspiracy, one for perjury and two for bribery, were returned late this afternoon in the councilman's graft cases upon which the grand jury of the Criminal Court has been deliberating for several days.

Without waiting for warrants to be served, four of the indicted men surrendered themselves and gave bond.

One other telephoned that he would appear in the morning, and give himself up, while the sixth is now traveling in Europe.

The men indicted are: Dallas C. Byers, millionaire manufacturer, indicted jointly with Councilman John F. Klein, already twice convicted in the graft cases, and Councilman W. H. Webber, on a charge of conspiring to secure the passage of a street paving ordinance; F. A. Griffin, vice-president of the Columbia National Bank, charged with perjury in one of the recent graft trials; Councilman Charles H. Stewart, charged with soliciting a bribe of \$2,500, and H. L. Bulker, hotel proprietor, charged with being an accomplice of John Klein in demanding and accepting a bribe for which Klein already has been convicted.

To Europe For Health.  
Dallas C. Byers left for Europe for his health about the time the great investigations began, and has not returned.

The perjury charge against Griffin is in connection with a recent councilman's graft trial, in which he is alleged his testimony was not borne out by facts.

Today he resigned as vice-president of the bank.

The grand jury is still in session, and it is said further developments are expected.

John F. Klein, who was in jail on a contempt charge, was released today on a writ of habeas corpus.

## TRIAL BEGINS UNDER

GUARD OF TROOPS

Louisianian is Charged With Foul Murder of One Man and Two Women.

(By Associated Press.)  
AMITE, LA., March 22.—With the court house surrounded by State troops, the trial of Avery Broun, charged with the murder of Buzzy Broun, his wife and step-daughter, Mrs. Joe Everett, near Tickfaw, on the night of January 29, was begun here today.

Garfield Kinchen, alleged to have been implicated in the murders with Broun, is still a fugitive from justice.

This afternoon, Ben Kinchen, a brother of Garfield Kinchen, was indicted and placed under arrest, charged with being an accessory to the murder.

Three days before the Broun tragedy, Ben Kinchen killed Joe Everett, the husband of the woman who was ambushed with her mother and step-father. He claimed self-defense, and was exonerated by the grand jury.

According to Broun's dying statement, he was shot down from ambush, feigned death and saw Avery Broun and Garfield Kinchen come out of the bushes, take Mrs. Everett's baby from the buggy and then fill the bodies of both women with shot.

The jury will probably be completed tomorrow.

## CHRISTIAN PUT TO DEATH

IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

Negro Criminally Assaulted and Then Stabbed to Death a Young School Girl.